

City of Sammamish

SAMMAMISH YOUTH BOARD

Meeting Summary

December 18, 2003

6:00-7:30 PM, Sammamish Library

Present

Adult Volunteers: Lynne Handlos, City of Sammamish

Guests: Tim "The Man" (YMCA)

New Business/Minutes

1. The icebreaker used to start off this meeting was the human knot. It took a while, but everyone finally got untangled. Ha.
2. The board was informed of the optional white elephant gift exchange to take place at January's meeting. Those interested in participating should bring a small gift to the meeting (\$5 value or less).
3. Past Events
 - a. The annual holiday event was a big success. The board raised around \$225 in cash/check donations! The food and money donated will be used for the Teen Feed and other future events. Everyone had a blast, and they liked the decorated fire truck, too.
 - b. The LWSD superintendent meeting also went well. Although SYB did not bring many issues to the table, they discussed many issues pertaining to other schools in the district. The meeting was very informative.
 - c. The Senior Reading day went really well. The volunteers read to dementia patients. The next reading day is January 26th. Those with dramatic reading styles are encouraged to attend.
4. Upcoming Events
 - a. Senior Reading #2 – See above (January 26th)
 - b. Special Olympics – February 8th; this is a great event at Issaquah HS and the Issaquah Community Center. It features special-needs youth playing basketball, and volunteers are greatly appreciated. Those interested can sign up at January's Board meeting.
 - c. Teen Feed – January 17th; another great event. New members are encouraged to help feed homeless teens at the U. District YMCA in Seattle.
 - d. IJH Community Service Fair – January 15th; this event was rescheduled due to the power outage. SYB will have a booth featured at this event, which will take place during the lunches at IJH. Volunteers should contact Lynne.

- e. Bingo Nights – keep an eye out for information on these (February 6th and March 13th).

5. New Ideas

- a. Adopt-a-Stop – This is a new concept, similar to adopt-a-road. SYB voted to adopt a bus stop somewhere in Sammamish. Members would clean up graffiti, empty garbage cans, and keep the area around the bus stop clean on a regular basis.
- b. Community CERT – This is for individual members of the board. Community Emergency Response Team trains you as a member of the Sammamish community to be educated as a first responder to an emergency. Anyone interested is encouraged to sign up (individually).
- c. Environmental Club – The EHS Environmental Club is trying to spread the word about recycling old cell phones. You can drop the cell phones off at Margaret Mead Elementary. All donations will help domestic violence victims.
- d. The leadership board stressed the importance of bringing new, different ideas for events to the board, with the hopes that new events will apply more to our age group. A brainstorming time will be held and ideas should be expressed at the upcoming January meeting.
- e. PIP – At their retreat, PIP members received information on a magazine expressing teen opinions on tobacco in the state of Washington. People with ideas or writings are encouraged to submit their pieces for \$! Also, Beaver Lake Middle School was supportive of the idea of painting a mural on their campus. PIP is now looking at other places around the community, as well as researching methods of funding and possible artists.

6. Committee Meeting Dates

- a. Community Service – January 7th, 2:40-3:30 at City Hall
- b. City Liaison – January 12th, 3-4 at City Hall

7. Dismissed! Next Meeting January 22nd, 2004.